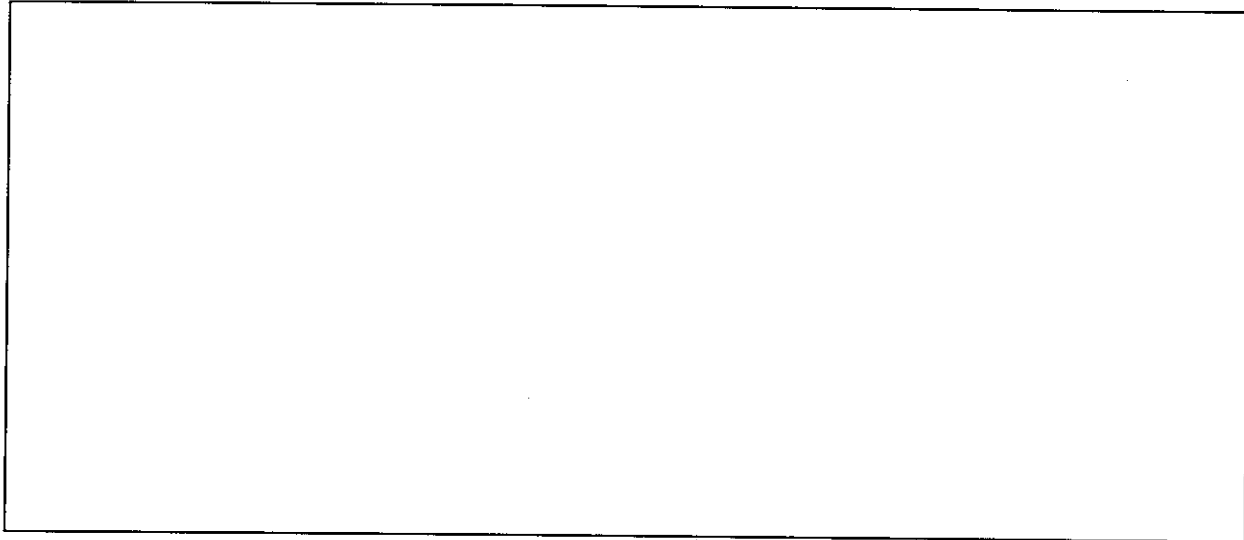


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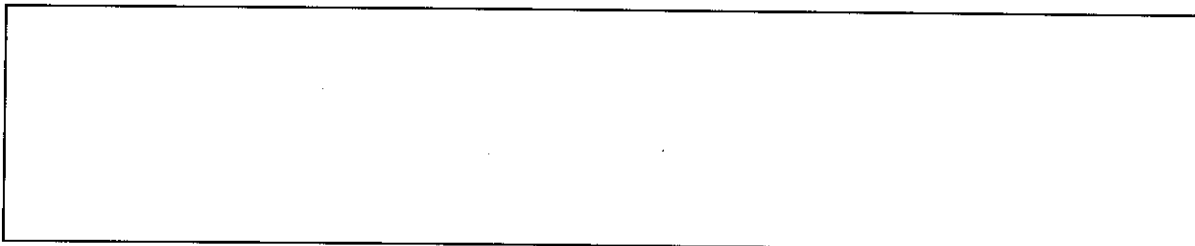


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(SBU) SITUATION UPDATE

- A large opposition demonstration, perhaps 300,000-500,000 strong, has approached the Miraflores Palace, with security forces attempting to keep the march separate from a much smaller group of pro-Chavista supporters.
- Embassy reports one or two persons dead from violence near Miraflores; press reports up to 17 injured.
- Embassy has sent out two warden messages today advising American citizens to stay in their homes. Embassies have been instructed to stay away from demonstrations.
- Several television stations going off the air at GOV orders. (Farrar)



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